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Title : METHOD OF INHIBITING FREEZE CONCENTRATION OF SUBSTANCE IN

HYDROUS MATERIAL, METHOD FOR INHIBITING INACTIVATION OF BIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING FROZEN

PRODUCT OR FREEZE-DRIED PRODUCT CONTAINING

HOMOGENEOUSLY DISPERSED COMPONENT

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